## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug suitable for connecting an item of telecommunications <u>customer</u> equipment <u>located inside a telecommunications customer</u> <u>premise to [[a]] an external</u> telecommunications network, wherein the <u>customer</u> equipment and the network are separated by a wall <u>having an exterior side exposed on the outside of a building structure and an interior side located inside the building structure, the wall including a bore communicating through the wall, the <u>device comprising network termination wall plug comprising:</u></u>

a hollow body in the form of a tube engageable in the bore, the tube including

- (i) termination means to terminate a cable an exterior telecommunications line connected to the telecommunications network; and
- (ii) connection means to receive a connector of the <u>interior</u> item of telecommunications <del>equipment customer equipment,</del>

the termination <u>means</u> and connection means being so arranged that with a <u>eable</u> <u>telecommunications line</u> terminated on the termination means, connection of the connector to the connection means provides [[an]] a <u>network terminating</u> interconnection between the <u>customer</u> equipment and the <u>telecommunications</u> network.

2. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug according to claim 1, <u>further comprising:</u>

a housing box including a cavity communicating with said connection means, said housing box also containing at least part of said connector means; and

wherein the connection means comprise an comprises a first inter-engageable member suitable for coupling to a second inter-engageable member, the second inter-engageable member being connected to the item of telecommunications customer equipment.

- 3. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug according to claim 2 wherein the first inter-engageable member is a line jack outlet.
- 4. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug according to claim 1 wherein the <u>hollow</u> body is further adapted to guide the path of the cable along the bore.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug <u>having a comprising:</u>

  <u>a generally cylindrical</u> body <u>having circumferential irregularities</u> to be received within

  <u>and frictionally engage</u> a bore in a wall <u>having an exterior side exposed on the outside of a</u>

  building structure and an interior side located inside the building structure,

the body having at one an interior end a cavity housing an electrical or optical connector,

the body also having a passageway coupled to communicating with an opposite exterior

end of the cavity to permit a communications telecommunications network cable to pass into the cavity housing and to couple to be terminated at the connector.

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- 6. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 1 which tapers <u>in its external dimensions</u> throughout its length and being widest at said <del>one</del> <u>interior</u> end.
- 7. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 1 which does not taper <u>in its external dimensions</u> throughout its <u>entire</u> length but whose <u>said</u> opposite exterior end remote from said one end is conical, tapering away from said one interior end.
- 8. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 1 wherein said <del>one</del>-interior end of the plug is <del>un\_tapered</del> un-tapered in its external dimensions.
- 9. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 1 wherein at least part of the exterior periphery of the <u>hollow</u> body is provided with circumferential flanges.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 5 wherein the connector is retained in the cavity by means of a snap-fit coupling.
- 11. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 10 wherein the snap-fit coupling is provided between part of the connector and part of the <u>hollow</u> body.

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- 12. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 11 wherein the snap-fit coupling is provided between part of the body and a further component, the connector being secured within the cavity by the further component.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 1, wherein the <u>hollow</u> body is moulded from a polyamide plastics material.
- 14. (Currently Amended) A <u>network termination</u> wall plug as claimed in claim 5, located within a bore in a wall <u>having an exterior side exposed on the outside of a building structure and an interior side located inside the building structure, the cavity being contained within the wall.</u>

## Claim 15. (Cancelled)

16. (New) A wall plug suitable for connecting an item of interior customer telecommunications equipment to an external telecommunications network, wherein the customer equipment and the external network are separated by a wall, the wall including a bore communicating through the wall, the wall plug comprising:

a hollow body in the form of a tube engageable in the bore, the tube including

- (i) termination means to terminate a cable connected to the external network;
- (ii) connecting means to receive a connector of the item of customer telecommunications equipment; and
  - (iii) an electronic module

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the termination and connection means being so arranged that with a cable terminated on the termination means, connection of the connector to the connection means provides an interconnection between the equipment and the external network.

- 17. (New) A wall plug according to claim 16 wherein the connection means comprises an inter-engageable member suitable for coupling to a second inter-engageable member, the second inter-engageable member being connected to the item of telecommunications equipment.
- 18. (New) A wall plug according to claim 17 wherein the first inter-engageable member is a line jack outlet.
- 19. (New) A wall plug according to claim 16 wherein the body is further adapted to guide the path of the cable along the bore.
- 20. (New) A wall plug according to claim 16 wherein the body has at one end a cavity housing an electrical or optical connector, a passageway coupled to the cavity to permit a communications cable to pass into the housing and to couple to the connector.
- 21. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 16 which tapers throughout its length and being widest at said one end.

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- 22. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 16 which does not taper throughout its length but whose end remote from said one end is conical, tapering away from said one end.
- 23. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 16 wherein said one end of the plug is untapered.
- 24. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 16 wherein at least part of the exterior periphery of the body is provided with circumferential flanges.
- 25. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 20 wherein the connector is retained in the cavity by means of a snap-fit coupling.
- 26. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 25 wherein the snap-fit coupling is provided between part of the connector and part of the body.
- 27. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 26 wherein the snap-fit coupling is provided between part of the body and a further component, the connector being secured within the cavity by the further component.
- 28. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 16 wherein the body is molded from a polyamide plastics material.

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- 29. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 20 located within a bore in a wall, the cavity being contained within the wall.
- 30. (New) A wall plug as claimed in claim 16 wherein the electronic module comprises functionalities relating to any one or more of: test and diagnosis, ADSL, or HPNA.